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In re application of
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A Continuation of Application

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For: Bridge Platform

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Upon the granting of a serial number and filing date to the above continuation application,
please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please rewrite claims 1 and 2 in amended form as follows:

1. (Amended) A platform for installation below [the] a deck of a bridge and for
extending along a section of [the] a bridge for supporting persons performing work on [the] a
bridge and for collecting debris resulting from the work, said platform comprising:

- a) a plurality of cables for extending along [the] a bridge and in spaced relation to
each other and in a plane substantially parallel to the plane of [the] a bridge deck;
- b) means at each end of said cables for securing said cables to [the] a bridge so that
the plane of the cables is at a desired distance below the portion of [the] a bridge
upon which work is to be performed;

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